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**2011 Driggs Lecture to focus on Germans' fascination with American Indians from 19th century until present**

*Summary: Penny's scholarship focuses on relationships between Europeans and nonEuropeans during the 19th and 20th centuries.*

(October 7, 2011)-H. Glenn Penny, associate professor of history at the University of Iowa, will give the 27th annual O. Truman Driggs Distinguished Lecture at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, October 10, 2011, in the Humanities Fine Arts Recital Hall at the University of Minnesota, Morris. The lecture is free and open to the public. H.

Penny will discuss "On Passing: A 'Redskin' with Black Skin in Twentieth Century Germany." Penny's scholarship focuses on relationships between Europeans and nonEuropeans during the 19th and 20th centuries. His in-progress book, tentatively titled *The German Love Affair with American Indians*, investigates how Germans, from the early 19th century until the present, generate and use ideas about Indians, and also explores the reception of this fascination among American Indians. Penny is the author of *Objects of Culture: Ethnology and Ethnographic Museums in Imperial Germany*.

At the University of Iowa, Penny teaches Nineteenth Century Europe, Western Civilization III, Readings in Colonialism and Empire in European History, Readings in Modern European History, and European Encounters with North America.

Presented by the Division of the Social Sciences and the University of Minnesota, Morris Alumni Association, the endowed Driggs Lecture was created in 1985 by alumni and friends of the late O. Truman Driggs, professor of history, who taught from 1963 until the time of his death in 1989. He served as the Division of the Social Sciences chair from 1968 until 1977. Annually, the lecture brings distinguished visitors to the Morris campus to speak on topics relating to history, the liberal arts, or public affairs.

A panel discussion, audience questions, and a reception follow the lecture.

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